GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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WITHDRAWAL OF FARAKKA EXPRESS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have decided to withdraw the service of Farakka Express running from Bhiwani to Malda Town;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Railways are considering to restore the service of Farakka Express in view of public resentment against its withdrawal; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) : Yes, Sir. 3413/3414 & 3483/3484 Malda Town-Bhiwani Farakka Express has been short-terminated at Delhi. The train is now running between Delhi and Malda Town.

(b) to (d): Due to non-punctual running of the Farakka Express, there was lot of resentment amongst the passengers who were utilizing this services between Delhi and Bhiwani. Besides, due to late running of the train, it had to be terminated at Delhi on several occasions. However, in lieu, the run of Farukhabad-Delhi Kalindi Express has been extended to Bhiwani. Kalindi Express is running to similar schedule on Delhi-Bhiwani section. There is no proposal to restore the running of the Farakka Express on Delhi-Bhiwani section at present.